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#### What does it measure?

Welcome to the Metric Tracking System (MTS). MTS is a 3. Delinquent Accounts Receivable from Public Over 180 performance measurement system that captures key financial management indicators across the Federal Government. The tool's intent is to provide government managers, Congress, and other stakeholders information to assess the financial management health of the Federal Government as a whole and for each individual agency. Tracking performance on indicators helps to guide financial management reforms and targets resources to

Monthly Summary Reports

#### How are we doing?

The CFO Council will use this space to summarize trends in the financial indicators. The summary will include progress, trends, and corrective actions (when applicable).

Data Updated Through March, 2009

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## 1. Fund Balance with Treasury (Net)

#### What does it measure?

Identifies the difference between the fund balance reported in Treasury reports and the agency fund balance with Treasury recorded in its general ledger on a net basis.

#### Why is it important?

Smaller reconciliation differences translate to greater integrity of financial reports and budget results.

#### Goals

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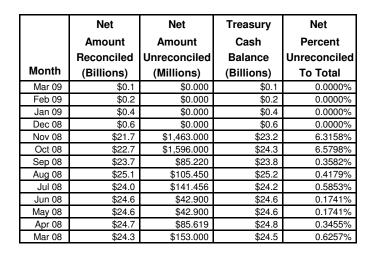
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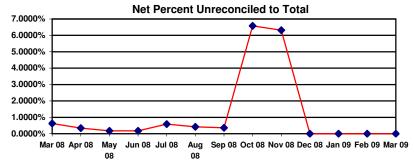
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# 2. Amount in Suspense (Absolute) Greater than 60 Days Old

#### What does it measure?

The timeliness of clearing and reconciling suspense accounts. This metric is reported quarterly. Only the 3875 Suspense Account is measured. The 3880 and 3885 measures are shown for contextual information only.

(Explanation of 6/2007 Changes)

#### Why is it important?

Prompt clearance of amounts in suspense translates to greater integrity of balances. Timely reconciliation supports clean audits and makes financial information more accurate.

#### Goals

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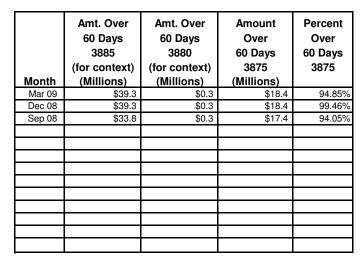
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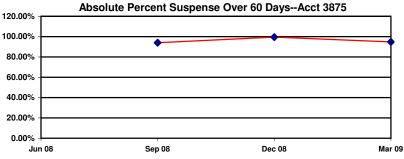
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# 3. Delinquent Accounts Receivable from Public Over 180 days

#### What does it measure?

The success in reducing or eliminating delinquent accounts receivable from the public. This metric is reported quarterly.

#### Why is it important?

It shows how well the agency actively collects debt. Actively collecting debt improves management accountability, reduces Treasury borrowing, and increases accuracy in reporting.

#### Goals

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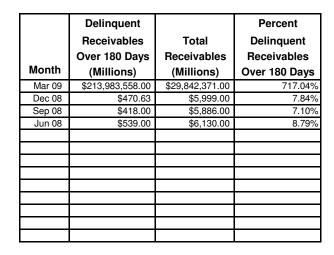
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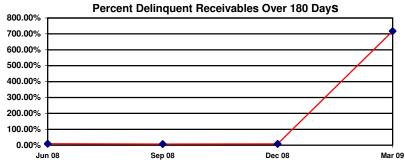
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## 4. Electronic Payments

#### What does it measure?

The number of electronic payments measures the extent to which vendors are paid electronically.

#### Why is it important?

A high use of electronic funds transfer saves money, reduces paperwork, and improves cash management.

#### Goals

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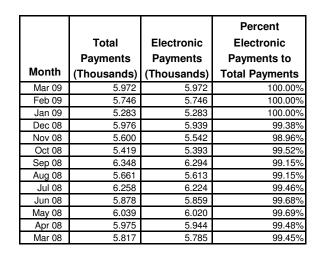
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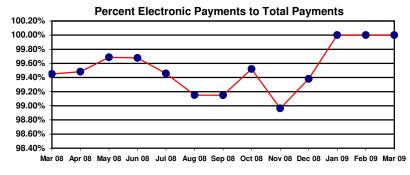
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#### 5a. Percent Invoices Paid on Time

#### What does it measure?

How many invoices are paid on time in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (PPA). The percentage of the dollar value of those invoices paid on time is also displayed, for contextual information.

#### (Explanation of 6/2007 Changes)

#### Why is it important?

Timely payment reduces interest charges and reflects a high degree of accountability and integrity.

Month	Percent \$ Value of Invoices Paid on Time	Percent Invoices Paid on Time (# of Invoices)
Mar 09	99.78%	99.75%
Feb 09	99.23%	99.74%
Jan 09	99.46%	99.62%
Dec 08	99.67%	99.65%
Nov 08	99.51%	99.63%
Oct 08	99.79%	99.80%
Sep 08	99.84%	99.73%
Aug 08	98.33%	99.49%
Jul 08	98.98%	99.68%
Jun 08	97.87%	99.61%
May 08	99.60%	99.65%
Apr 08	97.50%	99.68%
Mar 08	99.24%	99.62%

#### Goals

Green – fully successful >= 98%

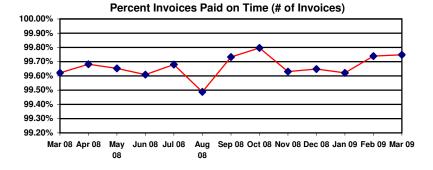
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Red - unsuccessful < 97%

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#### 5b. Interest Penalties Paid

#### What does it measure?

The effect of late payments in the amount of interest penalties paid relative to the total dollars of invoices paid. The metric amount represents dollars of interest paid per \$1 million in total payments.

#### (Explanation of 6/2007 Changes)

#### Why is it important?

Smaller amounts of interest paid shows that an agency is paying its bills in a timely manner in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act. Not having to pay interest saves agencies money and allows funds to be used for their intended purpose. \$30.0

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	Interest	<b>Amount Paid</b>	of Interest
	Paid	Subj. To PPA	per Million
Month	(Thousands)	(Millions)	Subj. To PPA
Mar 09	\$2.020	\$434.6	\$4.65
Feb 09	\$2.137	\$358.9	\$5.95
Jan 09	\$3.312	\$384.9	\$8.61
Dec 08	\$2.413	\$494.3	\$4.88
Nov 08	\$7.600	\$653.2	\$11.63
Oct 08	\$2.700	\$726.8	\$3.7
Sep 08	\$1.226	\$1,235.1	\$0.99
Aug 08	\$9.327	\$362.9	\$25.70
Jul 08	\$2.800	\$332.5	\$8.42
Jun 08	\$3.577	\$364.1	\$9.82
May 08	\$2.880	\$334.4	\$8.61
Apr 08	\$3.930	\$313.4	\$12.54
Mar 08	\$12.160	\$450.5	\$26.99

Total

Dollars

#### Goals

Green - fully successful <= \$200

Yellow - minimally successful > \$200 - <= \$300

Red - unsuccessful > \$300

#### **Status**



Mar, 09: \$4.65



# 6a. Travel Card Delinquency Rates Individually Billed Account (IBA)

#### What does it measure?

The percent of travel card balances outstanding over 61 days for Individually Billed Accounts (IBA).

#### Why is it important?

Reducing outstanding travel card balances helps increase rebates to agencies.

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Mar 08 Apr 08 May 08 Jun 08 Jul 08 Aug 08 Sep 08 Oct 08 Nov 08 Dec 08 Jan 09 Feb 09 Mar 09

**IBA** 

Balance

(Thousands)

\$0.000

\$0.000

\$40.587

\$44.438

\$48.739

\$28.696

\$26.122

\$11.602

\$16.051

\$26.113

\$24.766

\$35.217

\$21.418

Month

Mar 09

Feb 09

Jan 09

Dec 08

Nov 08

Oct 08

Sep 08 Aug 08

Jul 08

Jun 08

May 08

Apr 08

Mar 08

0.00%

**IBA** 

Rate

Percent

0.00%

0.00%

8.12%

8.56%

8.46%

5.20%

4.78%

2.01%

3.01%

5.11%

5.03%

7.24%

4.25%

#### Goals (IBA)

Green - fully successful <= 2%

Yellow - minimally successful > 2% - <= 4%

Red - unsuccessful > 4%

#### **Status**



Mar, 09: 0.00%

## 6b. Travel Card Delinquency Rates Centrally Billed Account (CBA)

#### What does it measure?

The percent of travel card balances outstanding over 61 days for Centrally Billed Accounts (CBA).

#### Why is it important?

Reducing outstanding travel card balances helps increase rebates to agencies.

Goals	(CBA)
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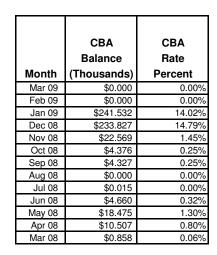
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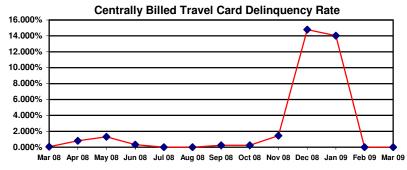
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## 6c. Purchase Card Delinquency Rates

#### What does it measure?

The percent of purchase card balances outstanding over 61 days.

#### Why is it important?

Reducing outstanding purchase card balances helps increase rebates to agencies and reduces interest payments.

Month	Balance (Thousands)	Rate Percent
Mar 09	\$0.000	0.00%
Feb 09	\$0.000	0.00%
Jan 09	\$65.022	4.72%
Dec 08	\$0.271	0.02%
Nov 08	\$0.271	0.03%
Oct 08	\$0.000	0.00%
Sep 08	\$0.462	0.08%
Aug 08	\$0.986	0.17%
Jul 08	\$0.000	0.00%
Jun 08	\$4.605	0.77%
May 08	\$6.037	1.04%
Apr 08	\$0.000	0.00%
Mar 08	\$0.080	0.01%

#### Goals

Green - fully successful = 0%

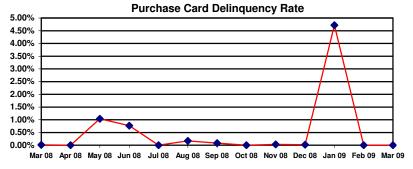
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Department of Labor
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## MTS Financial Management Indicators

## How are we doing?

Federal agencies are owed debts from a variety of individuals and entities. A few examples of debt are loan repayments, duplicate or erroneous grant or entitlement payments, as well as fines or penalties and other debts. These debts total billions of dollars government-wide. Improving the management of these debts – especially improved performance in the collection of outstanding debts – is important to ensuring that taxpayer dollars are spent wisely and efficiently.

Indicator 3, Delinquent Accounts Receivable from the Public, of the Metric Tracking System (MTS) reports on public debt that has been delinquent for more than 180 days. According to the metric goals, agencies have a way to go to meet the Green standard. What the data doesn't show, however, is why some agencies are reporting more delinquent debt than others. For example, some agencies: (1) have a high percentage of debt in litigation; (2) are attempting to collect from bankrupt debtors; or (3) are collecting debt at guaranteed lenders. Each of these efforts often takes considerable time to resolve.

Agencies are diligently working to reduce the amount of delinquent debt in this category by improving the screening of potential borrowers and improving internal agency collection practices. In the case of credit programs, improvements are also being made in litigating the debt at the Department of Justice, and transferring the debt to the Department of the Treasury for cross-servicing and administrative offset opportunities.